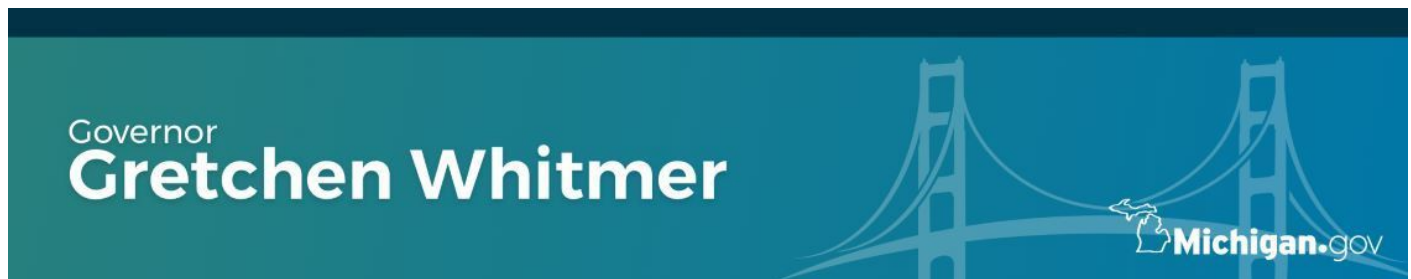


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LANSING, Mich. – Governor Gretchen Whitmer, in accordance with a proclamation issued by President Biden, has ordered U.S. and Michigan flags within the State Capitol Complex and upon all public buildings and grounds across the state of Michigan to remain lowered to half-staff through Tuesday, April 20 to honor and remember the eight victims of the shooting in Indianapolis.

“As our nation mourns another senseless act of violence, we remember those whose lives have been cut short and the legacies they leave behind,” **Whitmer** said. “Gun violence is a public health crisis, and we must do more to prevent these tragedies. My heart goes out to the victims’ loved ones and the entire Indianapolis community as they cope with this terrible loss.”

Late on Thursday, a gunman opened fire at a FedEx facility in Indianapolis, killing eight people and injuring several others. Officials have not released the names of the eight people killed in the shooting.

The State of Michigan remembers the victims and stands in solidarity with residents of the state of Indiana by lowering flags to half-staff. Michigan residents, businesses, schools, local governments and other organizations also are encouraged to display the flag at half-staff.

To lower flags to half-staff, flags should be hoisted first to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The process is reversed before the flag is lowered for the day.

Flags should be returned to full-staff on Wednesday, April 21, 2021.

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